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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application of: Brines, et al.

Serial No.: 10/676,694

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For: TISSUE PROTECTIVE CYTOKINE  
RECEPTOR COMPLEX AND  
ASSAYS FOR IDENTIFYING  
TISSUE PROTECTIVE  
COMPOUNDS

Confirmation No.: 7980

Group Art Unit: 1646

Examiner: Li, Ruixiang

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the outstanding Non Final Office Action, mailed May 31, 2007, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.111, please consider the amendments and remarks below and enter them into the record for the application. Applicants submit concurrently herewith: (a) Petition For Extension Of Time Under 37 C.F.R § 1.136(a) for three months from August 31, 2007 up to and including November 30, 2007; and (b) copies of the following cited references: McClure, *et al.*, Blood, 101:1308-1315, 2000 (Exhibit A); Nishinakamura, *et al.*, Immunity 2:211, 1995 (Exhibit B), Rossjohn, *et al.*, Blood, 95:2491-2498, 2000 (Exhibit C); and Stanley, *et al.*, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. 91:5592, 1994 (Exhibit D).

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